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PRINTER GRADATION RECORDING METHOD UTILIZING SAID METHOD

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ABSTRACT:
PURPOSE: To raise the gradation controllability by adopting a signal inputting
system of a positive type display system and also a negative logic, in a
driving method of a liquid crystal shutter.

CONSTITUTION: A liquid crystal shutter 3 is driven statically by 15V applied
voltage, and 5KHz driving frequency, and to electrodes 13, 13', usually a
liquid crystal driving signal is applied, and a light beam is cut off. In such
a state, as for a picture element for executing a display, it is stopped
selectively to apply the liquid crystal driving signal, and a light beam is
made to transmit (negative logic driving). In case of a positive type display,
as for the liquid crystal shutter, a response from an open state to a closed
state is quick, and a response from the closed state to the open state is slow.
Since the shutter rises slowly from the closed state to the open state,
therefore, an opening degree or an opening time of the picture element is

controlled by varying the signal input time, and the quantity of a light beam for transmitting through the picture element is brought to a gradation control.

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TITLE: Liquid crystal shutter and method of driving the same

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DETX:
[0058] When a DC or AC voltage of 10 to 20V is applied between the first
electrode 2 and the second electrode 5, the molecules of the nematic liquid
crystal 7 are orientated in the direction orthogonal to the transparent
substrates 1 and 4 so that the birefringence is nullified, allowing linearly
polarized light which has passed through the lower polarizing plate 8 to
travel
intactly through the interior of the liquid crystal device to be blocked by
the
upper polarizing plate 9, thus forming a black display at a closed state.

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5852485 A
TITLE: Liquid crystal display device and method for producing the same

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DEPR:
In the conventional LCD device in which the transparent electrode is provided
in the counter substrate, the dark state is realized by nullifying the phase
contrast caused by <u>birefringence</u> of the liquid crystal material. The phase
contrast caused by <u>birefringence is nullified</u> by rotating, by voltage
application, the liquid crystal molecules from the state of being parallel to
the surfaces of the two substrates interposing the liquid crystal layer to
the
state of having an angle with respect to the surfaces of the two substrates.
However, the phase contrast caused by <u>birefringence</u> can actually be
<u>nullified</u>
only when the image is seen at a viewing angle normal to the surfaces of
the
substrates. When the image is seen from a direction having even a slight
angle
with respect to the normal direction, the phase contrast is caused by
<u>birefringence</u>. Thus, in the case of normally-white display, light leaks to
cause reduction in the contrast ratio and also inversion of the gray scale
levels. In contrast, in the LCD device 1100 in Example 1 according to the
present invention, the principal axis of the liquid crystal molecules 123 is
substantially parallel to the surfaces of the two substrates 128 and 127,
and
the voltage application does not rotate the liquid crystal molecules 123 in
the
direction perpendicular to the surfaces of the two substrates 128 and 127.
Accordingly, the difference in brightness caused in accordance with the
viewing
angle is relatively small, significantly improving the viewing
characteristic.